

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for managing delivery of goods from a supplier to a buyer, said delivery generally involving at least one delivery agent, at least one store, at least one supplier, and a plurality of buyers, wherein the at least one delivery agent, the at least one store, and the at least one supplier are accessible through a communications network, said method comprising:

5 providing a Web page including a first data field for inputting an original purchase order identifier, said Web page further including a second data field for inputting a new purchase order identifier;

10 retrieving original order information associated with said original purchase order identifier;

15 retrieving updated order information associated with said new purchase order identifier; and

relating said new purchase order identifier to an original delivery slot assigned to the original purchase order identifier so that said original delivery slot is kept notwithstanding of modifications made to the original order.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein said original order information comprises demographic data of the buyer, model number, quantity of goods, brand of the good, and desired installation services.

20 3. The method of claim 1 wherein said relating step enables the delivery agent to maintain an originally scheduled delivery of the goods.

25 4. The method of claim 1 further comprising relating buyer demographic data included in the original purchase order information to buyer demographic data in the new purchase order information; and

validating that said original and updated orders correspond to the same buyer based on said buyer demographic data relating action.

5. A computer-readable medium encoded with computer program code for managing delivery of goods from a supplier to a buyer, said delivery generally involving at least one delivery agent, at least one store, at least one supplier, and a plurality of buyers, wherein the at least one delivery agent, the at least one store, and the at least one supplier are accessible through a communications network, the program code causing a computer to execute a method comprising:

retrieving original order information associated with an original purchase order identifier;

10 modifying said original order information to generate updated order information;

associating a new purchase identifier with said updated order information;

15 relating said new purchase order identifier to an original delivery slot assigned to the original purchase order identifier so that said original delivery slot is kept notwithstanding said modifying action;

relating buyer demographic data included in the original purchase order information to buyer demographic data in the new purchase order information; and

20 validating that said original and updated orders correspond to the same buyer based on said buyer demographic data relating action.

6. The computer-readable medium of claim 5 wherein said original order information comprises model number, quantity of goods, brand of the good, and desired installation service.

25 7. The computer-readable medium of claim 1 further comprising providing a Web page including a first data field for inputting said original purchase order identifier, said Web page further including a second data field for inputting said new purchase order identifier and wherein said action of relating the new order identifier to the original delivery slot is performed upon submittal of said Web page including both of said purchase identifiers through said communications network.

8. A system for managing delivery of goods from a supplier to a buyer, said delivery generally involving at least one delivery agent, at least one store, at least one supplier, and a plurality of buyers, wherein the at least one delivery agent, the at least one store, and the at least one supplier are accessible through a communications network, the system comprising:

server configured to provide a Web page including a first data field for inputting an original purchase order identifier, and a second data field for inputting a new purchase order identifier;

retrieving module configured to retrieve original order information associated with said original purchase order identifier, said retrieving module further configured to retrieve updated order information associated with said new purchase order identifier; and

relating module configured to relate said new purchase order identifier to an original delivery slot assigned to the original purchase order identifier so that said original delivery slot is kept, said relating module configured to relate buyer demographic data included in the original purchase order information to buyer demographic data in the updated purchase order information to validate that said original and updated orders correspond to the same buyer.